GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PS – PR&RD Dept. – Allegations of irregularities in execution of certain works taken up under FFWP in Banaganapalle (M), Kurnool District – Disciplinary proceedings initiated against (3) Panchayat Raj Engineering personnel viz., (1) Sri A. Gopal Reddy, Deputy Executive Engineer, PR, Banaganapalle, (2) Sri N. Raghavulu, Assistant Engineer, MP, Banganapalle and (3) Sri Anwar Hussain, Work Inspector, PR, Banaganapalle – Enquiry conducted – Further action dropped – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 1011 Dated:28-10-2015.

Read the following:-

1. From the GA (V& E) Department, Vigilance Report No.100 (606/V&E/E1/2004), Dated:28.08.2004.
2. Govt. Memo No.7285/Vig.II/A1/2004-14 to 16, PR&RD (Vig.II) Dept., dated:18.04.2006.
3. From Sri A. Gopal Reddy, Dy.EE, PR, WSD dt:Nil.
4. From Sri S. Anwar Hussain, Work Inspector, WSD dt:02.06.2006.
5. From Sri N. Raghavulu, AE, PR, WSD dt: 30.11.2006.
6. G.O.Rt.No.601, PR&D (Vig.II) Dept., dt.24.04.2007.
7. G.O.Rt.No.374, PR&D (Vig.II) Dept., dt.05.03.2012.
8. From Sri Lingaraj Panigrahi, IAS, COI, D.O.Lr.No.198/COI.LP/ 2011-1, dated:14.11.2012.
9. Govt. Memo No.7285/Vig.II/A1/2004-24 to 26, PR&RD (Vig.II) Dept., dated:03.09.2014.
10. From Sri A. Gopala Reddy, Dy.EE, PR, representation dated:12.11.2014.
11. From Sri S. Anwar Hussain, Work Inspector, representation dt: 29.11.2014.
12. From Sri N. Raghavulu, AE, PR, representation dt:23.01.2015.

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ORDER:-

In the Vigilance Report 1st read above, the General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department have enquired into the allegations of irregularities in execution of works taken up under Food for Work Programme in Banaganapalle (M), Kurnool District and submitted report to Government. Based on the said report, in the Government Memos 2nd read above, disciplinary proceedings have been initiated by framing charges against (3) Panchayat Raj Engineering personnel viz., (1) Sri A. Gopal Reddy, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Banaganapalle, (2) Sri N. Raghavulu, the then Assistant Engineer, MP, Banganapalle and (3) Sri Anwar Hussain, the then Work Inspector, Panchayat Raj, Banaganapalle.

2. In reply to the charges, all the Charged Officers have submitted their written statements of defence and after examining the same, orders were issued in the G.O. 6th read above appointing the Commissioner of Inquiries as Inquiring Authority and the Superintending Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Kurnool as Presenting Officer for conducting inquiry into the charges framed against the (3) Charged Officers.

3. In the D.O. letter 8th read above, the Inquiring Authority after conducting enquiry has submitted his Inquiry Report holding that the charges are held not proved against the (3) Charged Officers viz., (1) Sri A. Gopal Reddy, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Banaganapalle, (2) Sri N. Raghavulu, the then Assistant Engineer, MP, Banganapalle and (3) Sri Anwar Hussain, the then Work Inspector, Panchayat Raj, Banaganapalle.

4. Government, after examining the inquiry report, have disagreed with the findings of the Commissioner of Inquiries and accordingly, in the Government Memos 9th read above, a copy of the Inquiry Report, along with the following disagreement factors, was communicated to the (3) Charged Officers, as required under Rule-21(2) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991, directing them to submit their explanations:-

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"the Member, Commissioner Of Inquiries furnished Inquiry Report concluding that the charges are not proved. The I.A has concluded that the Charge that the measurement was recorded for the works not executed on the ground is not proved on the ground that the Vigilance & Enforcement officials inspected the works after 2½ years. But the officers inspected the work are also (3) Engineers who were with the Vigilance & Enforcement on deputation. Further the charge that Charged Officer -2 failed to issue Rice Coupons and maintain accounts properly is not proved on the ground that Mandal Parishad Development Officer, (Charged Officer -2 was holding the charge of Mandal Parishad Development Officer) is concerned only with sending of the indent to the Revenue Officials for issue of Rice. This is not acceptable. Indent is issued indicating the total quantity of rice to be transported to FP shop from MLS point and the FP shop dealer will issue the rice only when the workers / labour produce the coupons issued by the Mandal Parishad Development Officer."

5. In reply to the Govt. Memos 9th read above, all the (3) Charged Officers have submitted their explanations vide representations 10th to 12th read above, with a request to drop further action in the matter, as the charges are held not proved against them in the enquiry by the Commissioner of Inquiries.

6. Government, after careful examination of the matter, have observed that the Commissioner of Inquiries has stated that the charges framed against the (3) Charged Officers are not held proved as inspections are carried out after a lapse of more than 2½ years and that the works are inspected by Deputy Executive Engineer, Quality Control appointed by District Collector and found no irregularities committed; that as regards false Musters, it is difficult to fix up responsibility now and secondly this does not involve excess payments as payments are made based on quantities recorded as per work done and that; the Commissioner of Inquiries also stated that distribution of rice is the responsibility of Revenue Officials. Hence, Government have decided to drop further action against the (3) Charged Officers viz., (1) Sri A. Gopal Reddy, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Banaganapalle, (2) Sri N. Raghavulu, the then Assistant Engineer, MP, Banganapalle and (3) Sri Anwar Hussain, the then Work Inspector, Panchayat Raj, Banaganapalle, in this matter.

7. Accordingly, Government hereby drop further action against the (3) Charged Officers viz., (1) Sri A. Gopal Reddy, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Banaganapalle, (2) Sri N. Raghavulu, the then Assistant Engineer, MP, Banganapalle and (3) Sri Anwar Hussain, the then Work Inspector, Panchayat Raj, Banaganapalle, in this matter.

8. The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad shall take further action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The individuals through the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
Copy to:
The General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department, Andhra Pradesh, B.R.K.R. Buildings, Hyderabad.
The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, Hyderabad.
The Panchayat Raj & Rural Development (Establishment – I/ II) Department.
S.f/S.c.

//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER